

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 498

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Issac Franklin Hall of Ridgely.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the passing of Issac Franklin “Ike” Hall; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hall was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who fought courageously and worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, during World War II, he secured his place as a member of America’s Greatest Generation through his brave and adroit service as a Tech 5 with General George Patton’s Third Army in the Battle of the Bulge, earning a Bronze Star and the respect of his peers and superiors alike as a combat infantryman; and

WHEREAS, after the war, Mr. Hall worked for twenty-three years with the Corps of Engineers; and

WHEREAS, the government of the City of Ridgely has benefited greatly from Ike Hall’s distinguished involvement; and

WHEREAS, he served his city and county as a fifteen-year member of the election commission and rendered sterling service as the Ridgely Safety Director, a twenty-year member of the Selective Service Board, City Alderman, Vice-Mayor of Ridgely, a member of the Ridgely Fire Department for twenty-eight years, a thirty-year volunteer with the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency, a zoning compliance officer for Ridgely, the Ombudsman for Northwest Tennessee, and a member of the Area Agency on Aging; and

WHEREAS, Ike Hall also held distinguished membership as a Mason and a Gideon; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hall's superior achievements in civic, public, and private life were so unparalleled that he was honored with "Ike Hall Day," celebrated by the City of Ridgely beginning in November of 2007; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hall was deeply devoted to his family, and he always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, he enjoyed the loving companionship of his wife, Faye Hall, and he will be sorely missed by his nieces and nephews; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hall leaves behind an indelible legacy of courage and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we honor the memory of Issac Franklin Hall, reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Hall.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.